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English Walnuts

POWNA

Edmund M. Pratt has purchased the
former mill horse "Jerry."

Miss Winifred B. Wright was home
from the North Adams Normal school
for Christmas.

Byron Brimmer and family attended
the funeral of Mr. Brimmer's mother
in Petersburg Monday.

Miss Margaret L. Parker attended
the funeral of Mr. Parker's mother
J. B. Woodhull in honor of Miss Daisy
Hull in Williamstown Monday evening.

There was a Christmas gathering at
the home of J. E. Sleight. There
were present from out of town, Mr and
Mrs P. Smith and child of Amsterdam
N. Y.

Edward C. Barber and daughters,
Genevieve and Pauline, were guests of
Mr and Mrs Anassa Thompson for the
holidays.

Miss Mary Louise Ashton has re-
signed the position of organist at the
M. E. church, last Sunday being the
close of the year for which she had
been engaged. Miss Ashton is a mu-
sician of exceptional ability and the
church regrets very much losing her
services.

A. Peltier entertained a gathering
at his home on Orchard street of
twenty-two people Christmas day.
The Currier family from North Adams
were the only guests present from out
of town.

Mrs Joseph White has returned from
Dover, South Out. Her husband's
parents returned with her and will
take their home with Mr White.

Frederick Moon, an overman in the
W. H. U. Co's plant at Hoboken, N. J.,
is visiting his parents, Mr and Mrs
Abner Moon.

Everett B. Austin and John McMath
are spending the holidays at their
home in Troy.

Eugene C. Bechard of Boston is
visiting his parents, J. M. Bechard and
wife of Orchard street.

There was special Christmas music
rendered at the M. E. church Sunday
morning. The choir was assisted by
Mrs A. B. Gardner.

Mrs William Hakes is visiting rela-
tives in Hoosick Falls.

Guy Barber of Dalton, Mass., is the
guest of his uncle, Dr B. O. Barber.

William Barham of Waltham was
the guest of his grandmother, Mrs M.
White recently.

Miss Frances Hudson and Frederick
Harder are spending the holidays at
the latter's home in Springfield.

John McCoy and family are spending
the holidays at their home in Phil-
mont N. Y.

Mrs Edwin J. Barber is confined to
the house with an attack of the grip.

F. E. Lewis entertained the fam-
ilies of F. W. Gardner of Petersburg
and W. Babcock of Hoosick, Christ-
mas.

Harold Day Foster of Yale univer-
sity Forest school, is spending a por-
tion of his vacation in town.

A number of the patrons of the rural
mail route showed their appreciation
of Carrier Daniel Prowd's faithful
service, by presenting him with a hand-
some fur coat which adds a great deal
to his comfort while on his trips. Mr
Prowd is deeply grateful to all his
friends who contributed toward the
fund for the coat.

Mrs E. J. Burrington and family and
Charles Moon and family ate their
Christmas dinner at the home of H.
W. Myers in Bennington.

The house of Dr Barber has been
roofed and from all appearances it will
be a great addition to our main street.

LOST—Between North Bennington and Ben-
nington a small package containing four
yards of blue silk. Finder please leave same
at the Banker office.

Administrators Sale.

The undersigned administrator of William
Dolan's estate will sell all the real estate and
personal property of said deceased at auction
on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1904, at 1 o'clock p. m.
on the premises in Shaftsbury.

The farm, known as the Charles Andrews
farm, containing 225 acres, with good house,
two large barns with cellar under each, two
hay barns, corn barn, wagon shed and other
outbuildings necessary for a large farm.

Said farm is 1 1/2 miles East of Shaftsbury
Depot and four miles from South Shaftsbury.
It is in a good state of cultivation, nine acres
coming in in the spring, also two yearling heif-
ers, four calves, 25 tons of hay, 100 bushels of
oats and 20 bushels of potatoes.

Terms of sale made known on day of sale.
JOHN E. HUNTER, Administrator.
Bennington, Vt., Dec. 31, 1903.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.
The undersigned, having been appointed by
the Hon. Probate Court for the District of Ben-
nington, COMMISSIONERS, to receive exam-
ine and adjust all claims and demands of all per-
sons against the estate of William Dolan, late
of Shaftsbury in said District, deceased, and all
claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give
notice that we will meet, for the purpose afore-
said, at Wallace Lyons' Hotel at South Shaft-
sbury, Vt., on the 4th day of January next, from
2 o'clock p. m. until 4 o'clock p. m. and that
six months from the 15th day of November,
A. D. 1903, is the time limited by said court for
said creditors to present their claims to us for
examination and allowance.
Dated at Shaftsbury, Vt., this 24th day of Nov.
A. D. 1903.

H. MERLE BOTTU,
GEORGE ROBINSON,
Commissioners.

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ing articles that we carry in our stock,
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store in Southern Vermont; conse-
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Best Teas of all grades from 15c up
to \$1.00 per pound.
Ten different kinds of Coffee from
10c to 40c per pound. Reverse Coffee
the best of them all; 35c per pound—
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We have all kinds of delicacies in
glass and tin, Fruits and Nuts of all
kinds, Stuffed Dates, Stuffed Figs,
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Optics, Kirk Munro's, Rob-
inson Cruso, Swiss Family
Robinson, Stevenson's
Treasure Island, Rip Van
Winkle and many others.

A. Maurer,
427 Main Street.

Estate of Harriet Clifford
Will Presented.
STATE OF VERMONT. In Probate Court
District of Bennington, ss. held at the
Probate Office in Bennington, within and for
said District, on the 26th day of Dec. A. D.
1903.
Present John V. Carney, Judge.
An instrument, purporting to be the last will
and testament of Harriet Clifford, late of Ben-
nington, in said district, deceased, being pre-
sented by Chas. A. Maurer, the executor there-
in named, for probate, it is ordered by said
court, that all persons concerned therein be
notified to appear at a session thereof, to be
held at the Probate Office in Bennington, in
said district, on the 15th day of January,
A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and
show cause, if a y they have, against the pro-
bate of said will, for which purpose it is
ordered that said will be published

Pains in the Back

Are symptoms of a weak, torpid or
stagnant condition of the kidneys or
liver, and are a warning it is extremely
hazardous to neglect, so important
is a healthy action of these organs.

They are commonly attended by loss
of energy, lack of courage, and some-
times by gloomy foreboding and de-
spendency.

"I had pains in my back, could not sleep
and was not in the morning felt
worse than night before. I began tak-
ing Hood's Sarsaparilla and now I can
sleep, am feeling rested and able to
do my duty. I attribute my cure entirely
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**Hood's Sarsaparilla
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Cure kidney and liver troubles, relieve
the back, and build up the whole system.

SANTO DOMINGO AND HAITI.

**More Trouble and Fighting Feared
in the Small Republics.**

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 21.—
The Cuban steamer Julia, from Santo
Domingo and Haiti, has arrived here,
having on board Senor Espallat, for-
mer minister of war of Santo Domingo;
Commander Perez of the Dominican
army, Captain Geirra, Colonel Espallat
and other supporters of former Pres-
ident Wos y Gil. The Julia also
brought Juan Medina, a Porto Rican
who has been appointed by the pro-
visional government of Santo Domingo
as consul general to Porto Rico in suc-
cession to Senor Morales. The latter,
however, refuses to surrender his of-
fice, claiming that the provisional gov-
ernment has not been recognized by the
United States. He has turned over the
effects of the consular office to Senor
Galvan, a son of the former Dominican
minister of finance. Senor Medina will
appeal to Governor Hunt for official
recognition.

The supporters of General Wos y Gil
held a long conference, and the mem-
bers of the party express the belief that
the intervention of the United States in
the affairs of Santo Domingo will be
found necessary in the near future.
They declare that a crisis is rapidly ap-
proaching and that the provisional gov-
ernment finds it impossible to nego-
tiate loans.

The Julia brought news that former
President Jimenez is now at Monte
Cristi, that former Vice President Des-
champs is in control of Porto Plata
and that Generals Morales and Caceres
are fortifying the city of Santo Do-
mingo. It is said that an attempt was
recently made to kill General Jimenez
and that General Caceres lives in im-
minent danger of assassination.

According to reports brought from
Haiti, a revolution is feared there
which may result in the assassination
or at least the incarceration of several
ministers and delegates.

The chief of the French bank at Port
au Prince has been imprisoned.

The attitude of the people of Haiti
toward President Nord is decidedly
threatening, as they allege that he has
been guilty of embezzling public funds.

**Boy's Life Saved From Membranous
Croup.**

C. W. Lynch, a prominent citizen of
Winchester, Ind., writes, "My little
boy had a severe attack of membra-
nous croup, and only got relief after
taking Foley's Honey and Tar. He
got relief after one dose and I feel
that it saved the life of my boy." Re-
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of Cigars put up especially for
holiday use from \$1.00 to
\$2.00.

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BENNINGTON BRIEFS

**News of the Town and Village Told
Briefly for Busy Readers.**

Thomas F. Morcisey is on the sick
list.

There will be a watch night service
in the Methodist church Thursday eve-
ning from 9 to 12 o'clock.

The Rev W. H. Washburne will
speak in the chapel on the east road
north from this village next Sunday
afternoon at 9:30 o'clock.

Next Sunday morning in the Metho-
dist church, the pastor, W. H. Wash-
burne will speak on "Moth Eaten,"
and in the evening on "Murder."

Mr and Mrs H. W. Myers entertain-
ed, at Christmas dinner, on Thursday
a number of relatives from out of
town. Those present were, Mr and
Mrs Robert Watt, of North Adams;
Mr and Mrs Charles Moon, of Pownal;
Mrs Ella J. Burrington and family,
and Arthur Merchant, of Pownal.

List of letters remaining uncalled
for at the post office are Fred J. Bald-
win, Charles Fisher, E. G. Griswold,
George R. Harper, George Rudd,
Miss Eliza Crowley, Mrs H. M.
Church, Mrs E. J. Cummings, (2) Mrs
Bessie Gorman, 21 Lake street, Miss
Lila Laure, Miss Lila Larose, Mrs
Mary M. Murray, Mrs Joseph Myers.

Chas. Whitman of Albany is a
guest of his brother, Colonel Whit-
man.

Mrs. Lucy A. Dunham, the nurse
went to Pittsfield today to visit her
daughter, Mrs. Francis Moore.

Miss Etta Leonard is spending a
portion of the week in Albany.

There will be a love feast service in
the Methodist church next Sunday
morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Wm C. Cromack, who has been in a
hospital in Troy several weeks for
treatment is reported as being slowly
improving.

Misses Francis and Agnes O'Donnell
are visiting friends in Troy, Albany
and Kinderhook.

Joseph J. Daley has returned from
a hunting trip in Glensbury.

Charles Cooper was in Boston on
business Thursday.

WEST ARLINGTON

H. T. Eaton was in Sunderland, set-
ting a monument one day last week.

Miss Eva Wilcox closed her school
in South Arlington last week.

Miss Lizzie Steele of West Sandgate
is in town for a week or two doing
dressmaking.

Mr and Mrs Bailey and children
spent Christmas with relatives in He-
bron, returning on Monday.

Mrs Guy Smith is passing several
days in Granville.

E. G. Farnham returned to Ben-
nington Monday night.

Miss Julia Buck of Bennington is
home for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs F. O. Hanaman held a
family reunion at their home on
Christmas day.

Field's bread cart has stopped for
the season and we are hunting for
something to eat.

Mr and Mrs H. T. Eaton expect to
start for Florida the last of January,
for the balance of the winter. Miss
M. Mills of Albany, their niece, will
accompany them as their guest.

W. E. Bailey and family returned
on Monday from a four days visit in
Washington county, New York.

E. C. Woodworth and wife came
down to Eaton's for Christmas dinner
but found no turkey.

Franklin Warner has just had Est-
on place a double headstone on his
lot in Riverside cemetery. It is of
Barre granite.

Lester Farnham of Manchester is
visiting Harry Farnham who is home
from Springfield, Vt., for a week.

John Lockwood has been quite sick
but is gaining at this writing.

Sell McDonald visited his sister last
week. Sell makes his home in Man-
chester.

St Nick failed to call on quite a
number in this burgh, either going or
coming. Possibly he may have been
delayed and will appear New Years.

H. T. Eaton leaves next week to set
cemetery work in Albany county, New
York.

Edward Farnham is doing jury duty
at the Bennington county court this
week.

The third degree will be conferred
at Red Mt. lodge on Friday evening,
at which time the D. D. G. M. will
make his official visit. A light spread
will follow.

Miss Bessie Haskin is home from
the State Normal school, Castleton.
She was accompanied by a little niece
of A. C. Morehouse.

It is with sadness that we record the
death of Mrs Flossie (Eaton) Howe,
which occurred last week Wednesday
at her home in New York state. She
was the only daughter of the late W.
P. Eaton and Jennie (Evans) Eaton,
and a niece of H. T. Eaton. Born
and reared in West Arlington, she
had many friends here who will extend
sympathy to the bereaved family. Be-
sides her husband, her mother and
brother survive her.

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ing Stamps with your pur-
chases, and you can re-
deem if you bring to the
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Albums, Lamps, etc., etc.

Our Clearance Sale of
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Furs and Millinery is now
going on. Goods must be
disposed of without regard
to cost before our annual
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all past favors and wish
you a happy New Year.

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NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of
the Bennington County National Bank of Ben-
nington, Vt., will be held in their banking
rooms on Tuesday, the 25th day of January
1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of
electing a board of directors for the ensuing
year and to consider such other business as
may come before it.
CLEMENT H. COYE, Cashier.

Let's get started